

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Rodger Leonard began his career as a state employee in 1975, serving the citizens of South Dakota at the Department of Social Services, and continued his employment with the State Planning Bureau, Bureau of Finance and Management, and the State Lottery Office; and,

*Whereas*, Following the 2002 election, Governor-elect M. Michael Rounds asked Rodger to serve as his comptroller, once again serving the citizens of South Dakota as a watch dog over its tax dollars, and assisting in the reorganization of the executive branch of state government; and,

*Whereas*, Rodger's experience and historical perspective have made him an invaluable asset to the Governor's Office; and,

*Whereas*, Rodger has been a key force behind the development of a new Medicaid Management Information System for South Dakota's Medicaid Program, where for 2 years, he has served as the project director of this \$76 million project; the largest project of its kind in state government history, and his insight and wisdom have been invaluable in this endeavor; and,

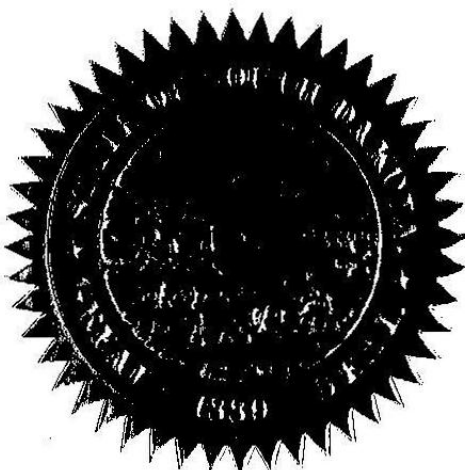
*Whereas*, Rodger's decision to retire on June 8, 2010, will allow him to continue his commitment to family, including three grandchildren, Justin, Carly, and Michael, and perhaps kick back and allow the old "Rodney" to reappear on occasion; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of his retirement, and to congratulate him as colleagues, family, and friends gather to celebrate this milestone in his life:

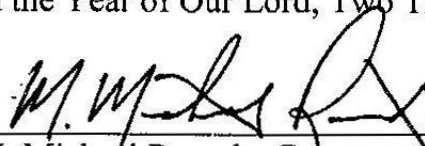
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 8, 2010, as

### *RODGER LEONARD DAY*


in South Dakota, and I join with his co-workers, family, and friends in wishing him a long, healthy, peaceful, and enjoyable retirement.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State